

tures of Anterior Walls of Both Frontal Sinuses.

- (b) Stereoscopic Picture Showing Normal Skull Which Simulated Lues.

Hans Barkan. Amyloid Degeneration (?) After Injury.

K. Pischel. Case of Sympathetic Ophthalmia.

H. McNaught. (a) Healed Tuberculosis of One Ear; Active Tuberculosis of the Lung and Larynx.

- (b) Carcinoma of Tonsil.

- (c) Carcinoma of Larynx.

- (d) Anomaly of Fork Test; Bone Conduction Referred to Left Ear; Vestibular Function Active in Left Ear; Infinite Negative Rinne Left Complete Deafness.

- (e) Specimen of Brain Abscess Following Chronic Otitis Media.

J. F. Smith. Glaucoma Following Cataract.

2. Preliminary Report of the Bacteria Found in Tonsils. B. Jablons.

3. .... J. G. Sharp.

4. Microbiology of the Buccal Cavity in Relation to Distant Foci. K. F. Meyer.

RENE BINE, Secretary.

#### SISKIYOU COUNTY.

The Siskiyou County Medical Society held its regular quarterly meeting in Montague. Monday afternoon, 3:30 p. m., April 2. Dr. Will Tebbe, president pro tem., occupied the chair. Those present were: Drs. Hal Warren, Chas. Pius, Geo. Hall, W. F. Shaw, G. W. Hathaway, G. W. Dwinell, Will Tebbe and J. Roy Jones.

A report was given by the committee, Drs. Pius, Shaw and Jones, on health insurance. No recommendation as to the action to be taken by this society was given.

Dr. C. W. Nutting was elected as a delegate to the meeting at Coronado. Dr. G. W. Hathaway read a paper on "The Cystoscope and the Vesical Stone," which was discussed at length.

The next meeting was voted to be held at Shasta Springs on July 2d.

J. ROY JONES, Secretary.

#### TULARE COUNTY.

At the monthly meeting of the Tulare County Medical Society, held in Visalia on the evening of March 20, Drs. H. J. Willey of Porterville and G. A. Clapp of Lindsay were duly elected to membership.

There was a splendid attendance at this meeting and Dr. Walter V. Brem of Los Angeles, the guest of the society, gave a very interesting and instructive talk on the "Treatment of Syphilis."

In view of the fact that the meeting of the State Society is to be held in April it was voted to omit the April meeting of the County Society.

ADDISON W. PRESTON, Secretary.

#### LANE MEDICAL LECTURES FOR 1917.

The Lane medical lectures for the year 1917 will be delivered by Dr. Simon Flexner, director of Laboratories of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, during the week beginning Monday, October 8. There will be five lectures in all and they will be given on consecutive evenings, at 8 o'clock. The subject of the series will be: "Physical Basis and Present Status of Specific Serum and Drug Therapy."

## Book Reviews

**Practical Urinalysis.** By B. G. R. Williams. Illustrated. St. Louis: Mosby. 1916.

An excellent little manual for the routine examination of urine for the student and general practitioner. The tests are all practical and the simplest and most reliable are selected for use. The interpretations are conservative and to be depended upon. This little book can safely be recommended for general use after the student has been trained in the various methods to be learned in the clinical laboratory. On the whole, the book is a dependable epitome of the best modern methods both as to reliability and interpretation.

G. H. T.

**Public Health Nursing.** By Mary Sewall Gardner, R. N., with an introduction by M. Adelaide Nutting. New York: Macmillan. 1916. Price, \$1.75.

While the medical profession has been developing the social aspect of its work, and we have hygiene and preventive medicine added to our activities, the nursing profession has not been idle, as can easily be ascertained from the important work on public health nursing from the pen of one of the pioneers in this field. Miss Gardner has given us a very fine exposition of the mechanism of organized nursing. The history of public health nursing, from earliest times down to date; organization, administration and personnel of visiting nursing; and the special branches of public health nursing; are the main divisions of the book. Most thoroughly gone into are the questions of the type and training of the women who are to be nurses, devoting themselves to this branch of nursing. There is an intimate knowledge of the social service side of nursing that would be of interest to all who are connected with clinics, especially clinics with nurse service and visiting in the homes of the patients. The sub-headings under the specialties include tuberculosis nursing, child welfare nursing, school nursing, mental hygiene nursing, industrial nursing and medical social service. On all of these subjects the comment is keen and the discussion of the principles of the work clear and thoughtful. For all those to whom the subject of public health is of interest this book is to be recommended as a most illuminating and stimulating commentary.

G. H. T.

**Focal Infection.** Lane medical lectures by Frank Billings. Delivered September 20-24, 1915. Stanford University Medical School, San Francisco. Published New York and London: D. Appleton & Co., 1916.

While this topic, new as it is, has already undergone many changes, it is a matter of some satisfaction to read what constitutes one of the very first authoritative and comprehensive statements on this subject. On reading the lectures slowly, one is impressed by the enormous amount of work done in the chemical, bacteriological, pathological and biological laboratories and at the bedside, by the brilliant group of men, whose joint labors produced this new, yet already well-established hypothesis of the etiologic relation of focal infection to systemic diseases. The conferring of specific pathogenicity to the various strains of certain common micro-organisms and of specific elective tissue affinity for specifically cultured micro-organisms and, finally, the conception of the transmutability of the cocci of the streptococcus-pneumococcus group form a triad of epochal thoughts that must be accorded the serious attention of all interested in medicine and the sister sciences. The five lectures that constitute the series contain a world of material and, read at leisure, supply one with a very complete resumé of all that has been done in this line up to the time of the lectures.

G. H. T.